

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 13, line 11 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

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--The present invention includes a personal ornament having an outermost coating layer entirely formed of a stainless steel coating layer, or ~~an~~ another personal ornament having an outermost coating layer formed of a stainless steel layer to one portion and of one or more plating layer(s) different in color tone from the stainless steel coating layer to another portion.--

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 6 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

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--The personal ornaments (and parts thereof) ~~includes~~ include watchcases, watchbands, watch crowns, watch buckles, belt buckles, finger rings, necklaces, bracelets, earrings, pendants, brooches, cuff buttons, necktie holders, badges, medals, and eyeglass bows.--

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

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--The entire thickness of the underlying plating layer ranges usually from 0.2 to 30  $\mu\text{m}$ , preferably from 0.5 to 30  $\mu\text{m}$ , more preferably from 5 to 20  $\mu$  For example, in the underlying plating layer of a two or more layer structure comprising a copper-tin alloy plating layer and a copper-tin-zinc alloy plating layer, the copper-tin alloy plating layer has a thickness usually ranging from 1 to 5  $\mu\text{m}$ , and the copper-tin-zinc alloy plating layer has a thickness ranging from 1 to 5  $\mu\text{m}$ .--

**Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 29, line 19 with the following rewritten paragraph:**

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--The age hardening treatment to the nickel-phosphorus alloy plating layer which is occasionally used as an underlying plating layer, may be conducted concurrently with the

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formation of the outermost coating layer (a white-colored stainless steel coating layer or a different-colored plating layer), or after the formation of the outermost coating layer. Otherwise, the age hardening treatment to the nickel-phosphorus alloy plating layer may be conducted after the formation thereof and before the formation of the outermost coating layer, by ion plating, sputtering or arcing in the same apparatus for the ion plating, sputtering, or arcing for the formation of the outermost coating.--

✓ Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 111, line 18 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--In this state, the test piece mount 4 is moved reciprocatingly by a mechanism of converting the rotation of a motor not shown in the drawing to reciprocation movement. The abrasion wheel 5 is rotated intermittently in the arrow direction by 0.9 degree per each one reciprocation movement of the test piece mount 4. By this rotation of the abrasion wheel, the abrasion paper sheet on the abrasion wheel 5 is pressed at the unabraded fresh portion against the test piece 1. The times of the reciprocation of the test piece mount 4 can be automatically preset to stop the abrasion test at a prescribed times of the reciprocation.--

✓ Please replace the Abstract on page 126 with the following rewritten Abstract:

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~~A personal ornament having a white coating layer comprises a base article made of a metal, and a white-colored stainless steel coating layer formed by a dry plating process on at least a part of the surface of the base article. Another personal ornament having a white coating layer comprises a base article made of a nonferrous metal, an underlying plating layer formed on the surface of the base article, and a white-colored stainless steel coating layer formed by a dry plating process on at least a part of the surface of the underlying plating layer.~~

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~~A process for producing a personal ornament having a white outermost layer comprises steps of forming a base article of the personal ornament by machining a metal; washing and degreasing the surface of the base article; cleaning the base article by bombard cleaning in the dry plating apparatus; and forming a white colored stainless steel coating layer on the base article surface by a dry plating process. Another process for producing a personal ornament having a white outermost layer comprises steps of forming a base article of the personal ornament from a nonferrous metal by machining; washing and degreasing the surface of the base article; forming on the surface of the base article an underlying plating layer by a wet plating process or a dry plating process; cleaning the surface of the underlying plating layer by bombard cleaning in a dry plating apparatus; and forming a white colored stainless steel coating layer by a dry plating process on the surface of the underlying plating layer.~~

~~The present invention provides a low priced personal ornament which has a white colored inexpensive stainless steel outermost coating layer having a long term corrosion resistance, and also provides a process for producing the personal ornament.~~

The present invention includes a personal ornament having a white coating layer and a method for making the same. The base article is made of metal and the white-colored stainless steel coating layer is formed by a dry plating process. The base metal may be ferrous or non-ferrous. --

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